

on oyster diseases and oyster-related human health risks; and

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The Traficant amendment that requires the compliance with the Buy American Act; expresses the sense of Congress that entities receiving assistance should purchase only American-made equipment and products; and requires that in providing this assistance the Secretary of Commerce shall provide each recipient a notice describing compliance with sections 2 through 4 of the Buy American Act.

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A point of order was sustained against the Shadegg amendment that sought to include a section entitled the Government Shutdown Prevention Act that provides a continuation of spending through the end of the fiscal year in the absence of regular appropriations.

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Agreed to H. Res. 164, the rule that provided for consideration of H.R. 437, by a voice vote.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:43 p.m. and reconvened at 12:45 a.m. on Thursday, June 19.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3888–89 and H3889. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:47 a.m. on Thursday, June 19.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH—PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP EFFORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research held a hearing on public and private partnership efforts in agricultural research. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Robert E. Armstrong, Acting Executive Director, Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization Corporation; Bob Robinson, Administrator, Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service; and Peter Johnson, Director, National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research; and public witnesses.

BUDGET ALLOCATION

Committee on Appropriations: Approved a Section 602(b) budget allocation report for fiscal year 1998.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction approved for full Committee ac-

tion the Military Construction appropriation for fiscal year 1998.

FINANCIAL MODERNIZATION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Continued markup of Financial Modernization legislation.

Will continue tomorrow.

TRANSPORTATION-RELATED AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Reauthorization of Transportation-Related Air Quality Improvement Programs. Testimony was heard from David M. Gardiner, Assistant Administrator, Policy, Planning and Evaluation, EPA; Kevin Heanue, Director, Office of Environment and Planning, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended H.R. 1818, Juvenile Crime Control and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1997.

The Committee also began markup of H. Res. 139, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Department of Education, States, and local education agencies should spend a greater percentage of Federal education tax dollars in our children's classrooms.

COMMITTEE RULES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Amended Committee rules regarding deposition authority.

OVERSIGHT—ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on Oversight of Electronic Funds Transfer. Testimony was heard from Jerry Hawke, Under Secretary, Domestic Finance, Department of the Treasury; Marty Wagner, Associate Administrator, GSA; Mark D. Catlett, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

AFRICA'S EMERGING CAPITAL MARKETS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Africa's Emerging Capital Markets. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S.-VIETNAM RELATIONS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on the U.S.-Vietnam Relations. Testimony was heard from Jeffrey

Bader, Deputy Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; Susan G. Esserman, General Counsel, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 1866, Need-Based Educational Aid Antitrust Protection Act of 1997; H.R. 1901, Federal Tort Claims Act Clarification Act; H.R. 1086, amended, to codify without substantive change laws related to transportation and to improve the United States Code; H.R. 103, Private Security Officer Quality Assurance Act of 1997; H.R. 1847, amended, Telemarketing Fraud Prevention Act of 1997; H.R. 748, amended, Prohibition on Financial Transactions With Countries Supporting Terrorism Act of 1997; H.R. 1532, amended, Veterans' Cemetery Protection Act of 1997; H. Res. 154, expressing the sense of the House that the Nation's children are its most valuable assets and that their protection should be the Nation's highest priority; H. Con. Res. 75, expressing the sense of the Congress that States should work more aggressively to attack the problem of violent crimes committed by repeat offenders and criminals serving abbreviated sentences; H.R. 1840, Law Enforcement Technology Advertisement Clarification Act of 1997; H.R. 567, Madrid Protocol Implementation Act; H.R. 1661, amended, Trademark Law Treaty Implementation Act; H.R. 1581, to reauthorize the program established under chapter 44 of title 28, United States Code, relating to arbitration; and H.R. 1898, Juvenile Rape in Prison Protection Act of 1997.

VOLUNTEERS FOR WILDLIFE ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 1856, Volunteers for Wildlife Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Robert Streeter, Assistant Director, Refuges and Wildlife, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITIES— COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REFORM AND OVERSIGHT

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing on H. Res. 167, providing special investigative authorities for the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. Testimony was heard from Chairman Burton and Representative Waxman.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 9 to 4, a structured rule on H.R. 1119, National Defense Au-

thorization Act for Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999 providing two hours of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on National Security. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides for consideration of the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purposes of amendment and all points of order are waived against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules and the amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. The rule provides that, except as specified in section 5 of the resolution, amendments will be considered only in the order and manner specified in the report. Except as otherwise provided in the report, amendments shall be debatable for 10 minutes divided between a proponent and an opponent. Amendments shall be considered as read and are not amendable (except for pro forma amendments offered by the Chairman and ranking minority member of the National Security Committee). All points of order are waived against the amendments printed in the report and those described in section 3 of this resolution. The rule provides for an extra 60 minutes of debate on Bosnia, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on National Security. The rule authorizes the Chairman of the National Security Committee or his designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments in part 2 of the report or germane modifications thereto, which shall be considered as read except that modifications shall be reported, shall be debatable for 20 minutes divided between the Chairman and ranking member of the National Security Committee or their designees and which shall not be subject to amendment or demand for division of the question. The rule provides that, for the purposes of inclusion in such amendments en bloc, an amendment printed in the form of a motion to strike may be modified to the form of a germane perfecting amendment to the text originally proposed to be stricken. The original proponent of an amendment included in such amendments en bloc may insert a statement in the Congressional Record immediately before the dispositions of the en bloc amendments. The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes on any amendment and to reduce to 5 minutes the time for voting after the first of a series of votes provided that the first vote is not less than 15 minutes. The rule also permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to recognize for consideration of any amendment printed in the report out of the order in which printed,

but not sooner than one hour after the Chairman of the Committee on National Security or a designee announces from the floor a request to the effect. The rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that House Resolutions 161, 162, and 165 are laid on the table. Testimony was heard from Chairman Spence, and Representatives Weldon of Pennsylvania, Hefley, Saxton, Buyer, Everett, Bartlett, Watts of Oklahoma, Jones, Hilleary, Gilman, Bereuter, Oxley, Kasich, Dan Schaefer of Colorado, Shays, Stearns, Bachus, Mica, Foley, Forbes, Fox of Pennsylvania, Frelinghuysen, Wamp, Metcalf, Brady, Thune, Del-lums, Skelton, Spratt, Pickett, Evans, McHale, Taylor of Mississippi, Harman, McHale, Kennedy of Rhode Island, Blagojevich, Rodriguez, Markey, Mink of Hawaii, Dicks, Frank of Massachusetts, Hoyer, Traficant, Pallone, Condit, Faleomavaega, Nadler, Moran of Virginia, Roemer, Sanders, Maloney of New York, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Woolsey, Farr of California, Luther, Millender-McDonald, and Lofgren.

COMMERCIAL SPACE ACT

Committee on Science: Ordered reported amended H.R. 1702, Commercial Space Act of 1997.

CHINA'S MFN STATUS

Committee on Ways and Means: Adversely ordered reported H.J. Res. 79, disapproving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment, most-favored-nation treatment, to the products of the People's Republic of China.

Joint Meetings

INDIAN CHILD WELFARE AMENDMENTS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Indian Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Resources on S. 569 and H.R. 1082, bills to amend the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 to provide for retention by an Indian tribe of exclusive jurisdiction over child custody proceedings involving Indian children and other related requirements, after receiving testimony from Representative Pryce; Ada E. Deer, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Thomas L. LeClaire, Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice; Deborah J. Doxtator, Oneida Nation of Wisconsin, Oneida, Wisconsin; Thomas E. Atcitty, Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona; W. Ron Allen, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Sequim, Washington, on behalf of the National Congress of American Indians; Jane A. Gorman, Tustin, California, on behalf of the American Academy of Adoption Attorneys; and Michael J. Walleri, Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc., Fairbanks, Alaska.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Full Committee, business meeting, to consider 602(b) subcommittee allocations of budget outlays and new budget authority allocated to the committee in H. Con. Res. 84, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for the fiscal year 1998 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, and to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for foreign assistance programs, 2 p.m., S-128, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine cancer research priorities and physician practice expense regulation issues, 2:30 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings to examine United States-Japan aviation relations, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on entrance and special use fees for units of the National Park System and the status of the Fee Demonstration Program implemented by the National Park Service in 1996, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine issues to be discussed at the upcoming global climate change negotiations to be held in Kyoto, Japan, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see page E1256 in today's Record.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing on forest ecosystem health in the Inland West and Northeast, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to continue markup of Financial Modernization legislation, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on Electricity: Reliability and Competition, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Continued Management Concerns at the National Institutes of Health, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long